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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 1D 2005 64234
12	GAIL BARRIE NILES, P.T.	
13	783 Azure Hills Drive Simi Valley, California 93065	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
14	Physical Therapist License No. No. PT 5239,	DISCIPLINARY ORDER
15	Respondent.	
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17	In the interest of a prompt and speedy settlement of this matter, consistent with the	
18	public interest and the responsibility of the Physical Therapy Board of California ("Board"), the	
19	parties hereby agree to the following Stipulated Sett	lement and Disciplinary Order which will be
20	submitted to the Board for approval and adoption as	the final disposition of the Accusation.
21	PARTIE	<u>S</u>
22	1. Steven K. Hartzell ("Complai	nant") is the Executive Officer of the Board.
23	He brought this action solely in his official capacity	and is represented in this matter by Bill
24	Lockyer, Attorney General of the State of California	, by Chris Leong, Deputy Attorney General.
25	2. Respondent Gail Barrie Niles	("Respondent") is represented in this
26	proceeding by attorney William H. Hair, whose address is 1000 Town Center Drive	
27	Sixth Floor, Oxnard, California 93036.	
28	3. On or about March 3, 1970, the	ne Board issued Physical Therapist License

No. PT 5239 to Respondent. The license was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234 and will expire on March 31, 2007, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234 was filed before the Board. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on October 26, 2005. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A First Amended Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234 was filed before the Board and is currently pending against Respondent. The First Amended Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on September 12, 2006. A copy of First Amended Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234 is attached as Exhibit A and is incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including her right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; her right to be represented by counsel at her own expense; her right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; her right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; her right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; her right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded to her by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in

1 First Amended Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234. 2 9. Respondent agrees that her Physical Therapist License is subject to 3 Public Reproval and she agrees to be bound by the Board's imposition of discipline as set forth in 4 the Disciplinary Order below. 5 **CIRCUMSTANCES IN MITIGATION** 6 10. Respondent has never been the subject of any disciplinary action in 7 California. She is admitting responsibility at an early stage in the proceedings. 8 **CONTINGENCY** 9 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board. Respondent 10 understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board, may 11 communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to 12 or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation Respondent understands and agrees 13 that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the 14 Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and 15 Order, the Stipulate Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for 16 this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board 17 shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter. 18 12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated 19 Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same 20 force and effect as the originals. 21 13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties 22 agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the 23 following Disciplinary Order: 24 DISCIPLINARY ORDER 25 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Gail Barrie Niles, holder of Physical Therapist 26 License No. No. PT 5239, shall be publicly reproved by the Board for violating Business and 27 Professions Code ("Code") section 2660, subdivision (d), and section 2661 of the Code, and 28 California Code of Regulations, Title 16, section 1399.20, subdivision (a), in that she was

1	convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physical	
2	therapist as set forth in First Amended Accusation No. 1D 2005 64234.	
3	<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>	
4	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and	
5	have fully discussed it with my attorney, William H. Hair. I understand the stipulation and the	
6	effect it will have on my license. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order	
7	voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the	
8	Board.	
9	DATED: September 14, 2006.	
10	Original Signed By: GAIL BARRIE NILES Respondent	
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13	I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Gail Barrie Niles the terms and	
14	Order. I approve its form and content. DATED: September 14, 2006.	
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17	Original Signed By: WILLIAM H. HAIR Attorney for Respondent	
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19	<u>ENDORSEMENT</u>	
20	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully	
21	submitted for consideration by the Board.	
22	DATED: September 15, 2006.	
23	BILL LOCKYER, Attorney General	
24	of the State of California	
25	Original Signed By: CHRIS LEONG	
26	Deputy Attomey General	
27	Niles Stipulated Decision.wpd	
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1	Public Reproval
2	Respondent's California Physical Therapist License No. PT 5239, is publicly reproved under Business and Professions Code sections 2660, subdivision (d), and 2661 of the Code, and
3	California Code of Regulations, Title 16, section 1320, subdivision 1399.20, subdivision (a), in that she was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physical therapist. The circumstances are as follows: On or about March 9, 2005, in a criminal proceeding entitled people v. Gail Barrie Niles, in Superior Court, Ventura County, Case No. 2004048936, respondent was convicted by a plea of nolo contendere to the crime of driving under the influence of alcohol, a violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (a), a misdemeanor. As a result of drinking a driving, respondent was involved in a traffic accident. The results of her breath tests indicated that her blood alcohol level was .12% and .11%.
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BEFORE THE 1 PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA 2 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS** STATE OF CALIFORNIA 3 In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 1D 2005 64234 4 GAIL BARRIE NILES 5 783 Azure Hills Drive 6 Simi Valley, California 93065 7 Physical Therapist License No. No. PT 5239 8 Respondent. 9 10 **DECISION AND ORDER** 11 The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by 12 the Physical Therapy Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in 13 this matter. 14 15 This Decision shall become effective on December 14, 2006 . 16 It is so ORDERED November 14, 2006. 17 18 19 20 Original Signed By: FOR THE PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA 21 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS Nancy Krueger, PT, President 22 23 24 25 26 27 28